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1. A branch plant of Autorenova National Corporation is located at Plzenska trida in Prague-Kosire in a former garage of the firm Autoavia (sic). The plant employs about 120 workers and about 30 office employees. This number is constantly increasing. Work is done in two shifts at present, but a third shift is expected to be introduced in the near future. The plant is managed by former automobile racer Turek. This factory produces cylinders, piston rings, gears and other automobile parts for shipment to Mototechna and Tatra. Most of the machinery is old and of German manufacture, and is badly maintained. In the main production hall are 6 lathes, 14 revolving lathes, 4 vertical milling machines and 2 horizontal milling machines. In a side hall are two large lathes, four large and eight small drill presses.

- 2. A new cement plant is under construction on a priority basis on the site of a demolished limekiln about one and one-half kilometers east of Branice (P50/025) on the road to Ostrava. An underground shelter is being built into a hill on the northern outskirts of Slezska Ostrava (P50/059).
- 3. A hydroelectric power station is under construction in Novaky (P49/T97). This plant, being built by Stavobet of the Czechoslovakian Building Enterprises, is to supply power for large refrigerating towers in the Novaky area. Surveying has been storted for a new underground chemical factory in the valley of the Vah River southeast of Kralova Lehota (Q50/D28).
- 4. The only plant in Czechoslovakia producing oxy-acetylene metal-cutting torches is the Chotebor Metal Works in Chotebor (050/1775). This plant is producing machines of type RS 3, which can cut metal of a maximum thickness of 30 cm, at a rate of two per week.

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